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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Office Action that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned application on May 16, 2003, be extended for three months to, and including, November 17, 2003. The fee for the extension of time is \$950.00 and is to be paid as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). As November 16, 2003 falls on a Sunday, the instant reply is being timely filed on Monday, November 17, 2003.

Applicant(s) hereby authorize the Assistant Commissioner to charge any fees that may be deemed to be due or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0590. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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